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SAYS SO. DAKOTA MAYOR—STORY INSIDE**

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## FREE EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES HAVE PROVED UTTER FAILURES; MORE MONEY NEEDED

*How Much Have Newspapers That Run Agencies of  
Their Own in Want Ad Columns Had to Do With  
Cutting Down Legislative Appropriations?*

There has been some talk of establishing a free employment agency in connection with the new Morals Court over which Judge Jacob H. Hopkins is to preside Monday.

If Judge Hopkins himself were to look after such a free employment agency it might be of some use. For Judge Hopkins is a real human being, who would bleed red blood and not sawdust if you stuck a pin in him.

BUT if Judge Hopkins were not to supervise the free employment agency and some two-by-twice politician looking for an easy job were put in charge that free employment agency wouldn't be worth a hoot.

The best proof of this is that there are in Chicago today three free employment agencies kept up by the state of Illinois.

Very likely this is news to most readers. It is no wonder it is so. For these state free agencies are failures. You could stick the amount of

business the whole three do in a week in your eye and then take part in a competition shoot.

The superintendents of the free agencies themselves admit this, but seem to think they can do nothing about it—without bigger appropriations from the state anyhow.

A Day Book reporter went on a tour of investigation among the state employment agencies. He went first to the North Side office at 826 North Clark street.

This office does not look like an employment agency in the first place. There is no dazzling array of jobs spread out on a bulletin board in front of it; there is no lure on the outside; and the sign with the word "free" on it in big letters smacks of charity.

And the inside of the office looks more like an undertaker's establishment when business is poor than anything else, with its clean, carpeted floors, clean walls, clean, life-sized picture of Charles Deneen—everything so darn clean and spick and span than any ordinary son or daughter